Please replace the entire paragraph on page 5, lines 15-25, with the following new

paragraph.

As shown in Fig. 2, an SINR estimator 12 estimates the SINR using the output of

the multiplier 8. The output of the multiplier 8 may be the <u>quasi-pilot symbol samples</u>.

The SINR estimator 12 can employ any well-known SINR estimator that generates an

SINR estimate based on pilot symbols[[,]]. In example embodiments of the present

invention, [[wherein]] the pilot symbols in the SINR estimator expressions are replaced

with the output, the quasi-pilot symbol samples, of the multiplier 8. For example, the

SINR estimator 12 could employ the SINR estimator of equation (6). In a preferred

embodiment, the SINR estimator 12 employs an SINR estimator as described in

concurrently filed application no. [[UNKNOWN]] 09/848,411 entitled METHOD OF

ESTIMATING A SIGNAL-TO-INTERFERENCE+NOISE RATIO (SINR) by inventors

of the subject application.

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